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MEMO

TO: All Building Officials in Miami-Dade County

FROM: Herminio F. González, P.E., Director
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DATE: October 29, 2007

SUBJECT: Hurricane Mitigation Rule Filed

This information is provided to update the October 17th, 2007 memorandum regarding the Hurricane Mitigation Retrofit requirements.

The 2007 Florida Legislature established new requirements for retrofitting buildings undergoing alteration. The Florida Administrative Rule implementing the Legislature's mandate was adopted by the Florida Building Commission at its August 21st, 2007 meeting. However, the rule does not become enforceable until filed by the Florida Building Commission and thus effectively delayed the enforcement of Florida Statute 553.844.

In a communication from Rick Dixon, the Executive Director of the Florida Building Commission, it was explained that the Florida Building Commission's hurricane mitigation measures rule was filed with the Department of State on October 25th, 2007.

It was further clarified that, according to Chapter 2007-126, Laws of Florida, the rule will take **immediate effect**.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Michael Goolsby at (305) 375-4496.